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Kulapulli-Cherpulacheri road

* 680 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state why the village road from Kulapulli to Cherpulacheri *via* Chalavara sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 1797, dated 17th September 1951, under Post-War Road Development Works has not yet been taken up for execution?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The work has not been taken up for execution for want of funds."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Generally, when a work is to be undertaken by the district board, the plea is advanced that there is no fund. This is a scheme sanctioned under the Post-War Reconstruction Scheme and the Government have to meet the expenses. May I know what the Hon. Minister means by saying that it was stopped for want of funds? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" In the present financial position of the State Government it is not possible to provide more funds for this work. The work will necessarily have to wait till the works in progress are completed."

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" What is the total estimate for construction of this road and will the Government be prepared to grant at least half the amount if the Malabar District Board comes forward to take up this work? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The detailed estimates and plans for the work have not also been prepared so far."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" This was a scheme that was sanctioned in 1951 when there were funds. If it is a fact that the funds allotted under the Post-War Reconstruction Scheme became exhausted, may I know when they were exhausted and why till then no action was taken? "

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The work of forming a road from Kulapulli to Cherpulacheri (via) Chalavara has to be executed under the Post-War Development Scheme. Sanction for taking up the scheme for execution has not yet been accorded. The detailed estimates and plans for the work have not yet been prepared. So, this work has not yet been taken up."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" The scheme was sanctioned in 1951 and four years have passed. Why is it that the detailed estimates with regard to the construction of the road have not yet been prepared? Was it because in 1951 there was a general election and this proposal was used only as an election stunt? "

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The Hon. Sri S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" It will be more useful as an election stunt to the Party of the hon. Member."

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, the answer is not audible."

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The Hon. Minister said that the stunt was the monopoly of the Communist Party."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" The question refers to G.O. Ms. No. 1797, dated the 17th September 1951. This work was sanctioned in that G.O. But the Hon. Minister says that it was not sanctioned. Therefore, may I know whether he has referred to the G.O. mentioned in the question? "

The Hon. Sri S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" The scheme has been sanctioned but not the detailed plans and estimates." 11.30 a.m.

Sri T. SHANMUGAM :—" பாயிண்ட் ஆப் ஆர்டர், சார், அங்கத்தினர்கள் எந்தக் கேள்வியைக் கேட்டாலும் மந்திரி அவர்கள்தான் எழுதிவைத்திருப்பதிலிருந்து பதிலைப் படித்துவிடுகிறார். அங்கத்தினர்கள் போடக்கூடிய கேள்விகளை மந்திரி அவர்கள் முன்னாலேயே தெரிந்துகொண்டு அதற்குப் பதில் எழுதிக்கொண்டுவந்துவிடுகிறாரா என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்."

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I object to the insinuation made by the hon. Member, Sir."

Stakenet fishing.

* 681 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Director of Fisheries, Madras, has recently issued an order to the Assistant Director of Fisheries, Kozhikode, directing him not to issue licences for stakenet fishing in Pazhayangadi and other places in North Malabar; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) In July 1954 the Director of Industries and Commerce issued instructions to the Assistant Director of Fisheries, Kozhikode, to stay the issue of licences for Chirakkal taluk in North Malabar until further orders.

" (*b*) Several representations were received from different organizations of fishermen and individuals in the Malabar district especially in Chirakkal taluk, suggesting modification to some of the rules issued in the G.O. No. 288, Agriculture, dated 8th December 1953, to regulate the grant of stakenet licences. As it was not found possible to pass orders immediately on